

Guinston United Presbyterian Church
west side of Old Forge Road, .1 mile
south of Guinston-Laurel Road
Laurel vicinity
York County
Pennsylvania

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Pennsylvania	COUNTY York	TOWN OR VICINITY Laurel vicinity
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Guinston Presbyterian Church		HABS NO. PA-5187
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) west side of Old Forge Road, .1 mile south of Guinston-Laurel Road		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1773	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) An excellent example of Scotch-Irish stone architecture. Significant as documentary evidence of the life and beliefs of the early Scotch-Irish immigrants which settled the area.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Random rubble		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular; 50'-3" (3 bays) x 34'-3" (1 bay); 1 story; gable roof		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Round-arched openings with radiating fieldstone surrounds; double doors on east, west, & north facades; flanking central bay of north and south facades are square, attached columns with rounded heads, which are tied into interior beams.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) One room with gallery on three sides supported by chamfered columns; pulpit on south wall, with access via flanking stairs; original hardware.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES This church replaced an earlier log structure which had been built in 1754. On the present church, it appears that pent eaves have been removed from the gable ends.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Listed on National Register of Historic Places.		
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